

# Cedar Valley Iris and Daylily Society

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## From the President

Thank you CVIDS Members for the positive responses and acknowledgements of the postponement of the August 22, 2020 CVIDS events to be held at Monticello. It is disappointing to again not meet but the appropriate action at this time was to postpone our club activities until a safer time. Many of you were able to connect with others at the Open Gardens held during July. I encourage you to reach out to other members on your own and "socialize" via phone, email, Facebook or other "safe" communication activities.

I will continue to monitor the health and safety factors until time to make a decision about the October meeting that is usually the Hybridizer Roundup. If you are a hybridizer, do prepare photos of your beauties to share. If we are not meeting face to face, another option can be created. We want to see your new creations.

Lyle has prepared some highlights of the Open Gardens. The dilemma is that too many photos create a file that is too large to send. Some editing is needed to make it possible for you to receive and open the newsletter. If you use Facebook, please check to see photos posted by our members. I want to give a big thanks to all that opened their gardens during this time when many are not getting out and are feeling unsafe about socializing. We appreciate all the work and time involved to prepare for members to visit. We could not make all of the gardens but know from your photos that all gardens were beautiful!

I am looking for material from members that can be used in upcoming newsletters. Have you read a good gardening resource recently? Have you tried a new weed control method that you would like to share? Perhaps you have found a new nursery or plant source that others might find helpful. Please send a "ready to print" paragraph or two that is ready for the newsletter.

Please keep other members in mind as we are unable to see each other in person. Please stay safe and stay healthy.

Nancy Rash, CVIDS President

## CVIDS 2020 CALENDAR:

***NOTE: CALENDAR DATES WILL BE CONFIRMED AND ANNOUNCED AS DETERMINED BY THE COVID 19 PANDEMIC CRISIS***

### July 10-12, 2020 **CANCELED**

**Region One 20/20 A Perfect Daylily Vision**

**Location: Hotel Kirkwood, Cedar Rapids, IA**

### August 22, 2020 **CANCELED**

CVIDS Fall Plant Sale,

CVIDS Club Meeting

Club Daylily Plant Return,

Iris Auction

Location: Youth Development Center, Jones County

Fairgrounds,

Monticello, IA

Meeting Presentation: Betty Miller Photo Contest,

Mary Jo Duffy, Chair

### October 10, 2020

Program: Hybridizers Round Up

Location: St. Mary's Catholic Church Community Center, 102 Penn Street, Williamsburg, IA

### November 14, 2020

CVIDS Fall Banquet,

Location: Radisson Hotel

## FALL BANQUET 2020

Our speakers for the Fall Banquet 2020, November 14 are Mike Grossmann and Kathleen Nordstrom. They were scheduled speakers for the cancelled Region One Meeting so we welcome them to Iowa for our Fall Banquet. Thank you Keith for securing our speakers. We look forward to their program.

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***Note: A Supplemental Addendum to this issue is being emailed to you as well since the file size gets too large to send: See the 2nd Newsletter coming your way in a moment !***

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CVIDS:



Storm Cloud with Train: July 11, 2020, 10:44 am, 5 miles east of Lisbon, Iowa: **THE DAY OF OPEN GARDENS FOR REGION ONE**  
**(IF CVIDS WOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO HOST THE REGIONAL IN CEDAR RAPIDS).** Photo by Lyle Moen Heavy Rain & Light Hail



Darrin & Shelly Lett  
Open Garden  
West Branch, Iowa  
July 11, 2020







**Heather Harroun  
Open Garden  
July 11, 2020**



**Barb McCreight Open Gardens July 11, 2020**





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Gary Oster Open Garden, Lowden, Iowa; July 12, 2020



Ginger Pruess  
Open Garden  
Lowden, Iowa;  
July 12, 2020





### From Bentonsport to Bellevue and beautiful flower beds between.

With the ability to have time to spend with some social distancing; Mom, Mel and I took to the roads of Eastern Iowa on several weekends and a few days of the week. We really toured from the bottom of the region to the west and to the eastern peaks. We greatly enjoyed just being able to tour the countryside and have great conversations with the guardians of the gardens. We are truly blessed to have such a splendid variety of gardens from patios that are used to entertain, to small corner gardens, to the wide open prairie with the different conifers and evergreen to an extraordinary view of the mighty Mississippi and 3 states. I know that if we had been able to hold the Region 1 meeting on our planned day, we would have truly had the Perfect 2020 vision in our gardens on display.

Each host was so very gracious and gave wonderful information about growers, different hybridizers that they have met and the stories of how they acquired their beautiful bloomers. We all have such different choices in what we appreciate. I love hearing the history of the creators of our favorite perennials. I also really enjoyed the personal touch that came from having undivided attention as we were often the only visitors at that moment.

For the very first time, I held an open garden. With all of the extra time to be outdoors, my garden was truly at a prime viewing day on Sunday, July 12th. It was such a lovely day to just sit outside and enjoy the garden at its peak and the peace and quiet. I need to do that more often just for self-care. I know our touring group was not able to get to every garden, but thank you for being a CVIDS open garden host. I now can appreciate even more the effort that it takes to be a garden host.

*A Garden Tour Contribution to Newsletter, Submitted by Nancy Carlisle*



2 Beauties

Barb shares one of her own blossoms while at Heather's Open Garden, with Nancy & Lyle looking on.



Tony, Kim, & Everett Open Garden

